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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Jürgen HOFFMANN

Title:

SCANNING MICROSCOPE

AND MODULE FOR A SCANNING MICROSCOPE

Appl. No.:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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Enclosed are:

- [X] Amendment/Reply (13 pages).
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages); PTO SB/08 (1 page); and the six cited art.
- [X] Copy of Examiner's Report dated September 11, 2001 with English translation (4 pages); and copy of Examiner's Report dated January 13, 2004 with English translation (4 pages), both from German parent application No. 101 05 391.6 (filed 02/06/2001).

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	20	-	21	= ()	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	7	-	4	= 3	3	x	\$88.00	=	\$264.00
First p	resentation o	f any	Multiple D	epen	dent Claims:	+	\$300.00	=	\$0.00
				C	CLAIMS/RCE	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$1054.00

- [X] A check in the amount of \$1054.00 to cover the filing and excess claims fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

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